## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

KENNETH W. HOPKINS,	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
v.	)	C.A. No. 08-cv-302 JJF
CITY OF WILMINGTON,	) ) )	
Defendant.	)	

## DEFENDANT CITY OF WILMINGTON'S REPLY IN SUPPORT OF ITS MOTION TO DISMISS PURSUANT TO F.R.C.P. 12(b)(6)

Defendant's Motion to Dismiss (D.I. 5) is now moot because Plaintiff exercised his right to file an Amended Complaint. The filing of an "amended complaint renders the original complaint a legal nullity." *Pennsylvania State Troopers Ass'n v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania*, 2006 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 59537, at \*1 (M.D. Pa. Aug. 23, 2006) (citing *Snyder v. Pasack Valley Hosp.*, 303 F.3d 271, 276 (3d Cit. 2002)). "An amended complaint supersedes the original version in providing the blueprint for the future course of the lawsuit." Alan Wright, *et al.*, FED. PRAC. AND PROC. § 1476 (2d ed. 1990). "Since plaintiff filed an amended complaint, its original complaint and all motions related to that original complaint are moot." *Sumito Mitsubishi Silicon Corp. v. Memc Electronic Materials, Inc.*, 2005 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 5174, at \*2 n.2 (D. Del. Mar. 30, 2005).

Defendant will file a new Motion to Dismiss the claim asserted in the Amended Complaint within the prescribed time period.

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## **CITY OF WILMINGTON**

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